

TOPIC Tutow Airfield

EVALUATION see below PLACE OBTAINED 25X1

DATE OF CONTENT 25X1

DATE OBTAINED 22 September 1952

REFERENCES

PAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

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25X1 1. During the period from 24 July to 15 August 1952, 25X1 about 10 civilians surveying the Tutow airfield and particularly the area around Wittenwerder. The clearing of debris at the field was completed so that the foundations of the destroyed buildings were free of rubble. 25X1 the salvaging of cables was discontinued and, recently, iron scrap has no longer been sent to the Foundry Combine East but has been piled up near the field. *

2. On 21 August, a conference was held at the air force construction staff in Werder which was attended by Major Olenik (fnu), Herr Burtjen (fnu) and another member of the Berlin Bauunion, as well as Interpreter Kankarovich (fnu), Bauunion Berlin was ordered to charge its construction staff in Brand with drawing up plans for the reconstruction of Tutow airfield. The construction project was designated W 103. The order relating to the preparation of the blueprints was signed on the same day. The order provides for the movement of the construction headquarters from Brand to Tutow. Preparatory work for this movement is to be taken without delay. Major Kironenko (fnu) was charged with the supervision of the reconstruction work at the field. Bauunion Brandenburg which had previously been contracted for the construction work at the field was notified of the new arrangement. **

25X1 * Comment. For location of Tutow airfield, see Map GSGS 4414, Sheet 2045. The clearing of debris was performed at the field between March and May 1952. The landing field was not released for cultivation. The field was surveyed but the beginning of construction was not yet observed. Since surveying was resumed and the salvaging of cables was discontinued it is believed that construction will start soon. It was originally planned to use the salvaged cables for the installation of runway lights at Brand airfield where only emergency lighting facilities are available.

25X1 ** Comment. Major Olenik who is assigned to the Soviet construction staff in Werder also attended conferences at Brand and Buchholz airfields. Kankarovich is engaged as chief interpreter by the air force construction staff in Werder. The movement of the Brand construction headquarters to Tutow may be carried out in November 1952 if the information is correct. At that date, work at Brand airfield is to be completed. Previously, Major Kironenko has been responsible for reconstruction work at Brand, Wolzow and Cottbus airfields.